

Pineapple



This is a 'piece of fruit' for a club competition! Also an exercise in use of the router crafter.

The core is B&Q pine around 90*40mm selected in store for few knots. The ends of a piece around 500mm long are squared off (the router-crafter needs a square end) and the section that will become the pineapple is enlarged with two more pieces of the same timber glued either side.

The basic shape is turned with 35mm diameter studs at each end of the pineapple that will fit into the top and base. A plywood template that will fix to the side of the router-crafter (see pic) and define the router cut depth is made - the excursion here is about twice that of the piece because of the geometry. The router bit is a 45 degree point (that is it cuts a 90 degree groove) and there are two sets of 12 grooves with the helices running opposite ways, the rotation positions being set by the router crafter indexing system.



Waxed, and the ends are some small bits of zebrawood I think.

The pictures are fairly self-explanatory.

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